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7 January 1985

MEMORANDUM FOR:

Director of Central Intelligence

FROM:

George V. Lauder

Director, Public Affairs Office

SUBJECT:

Invitation to Address the Council for National Policy

1. Background: Executive Director of the Council for National Policy Louis "Woody" Jenkins (a Reagan appointee to the Advisory Committee for Trade Negotiations) has invited you to address the Board of Governors of the Council at their next meeting at Marriott's Rancho Las Palmas Resort in Rancho Mirage, California, Friday and Saturday, February 22-23. Mrs. Casey has been invited to accompany you. Council meetings are closed to the media and to the general public.

The Council for National Policy is a conservative non-profit, tax-exempt, educational foundation composed of corporate, government and religious leaders who share a belief in "the free enterprise system, the need for a strong national defense, and the desire for a moral rebirth in America." Bringing together men and women "who can influence the direction of our country and the course of history" is the Council's goal. Members of the Board are Chairman of Hunt Energy Corporation Bunker Hunt, President of Adolph Coors Company Joseph Coors, President of RKO General Frank Shakespeare, New York Congressman Jack Kemp, and Alabama Senator Jeremiah Denton to name a few. (See attachment for further information). According to NEWSWEEK, the Council for National Policy is "an information coalition of New Right activists that for the first time puts well heeled conservatives like oil billionaire Bunker Hunt and fundamentalist preachers in regular touch with right-wrong political tacticians, U.S. Senators and White House officials."

2. Recommendation: You may be interested in getting the word out to this influential group of conservatives if spending a weekend in California works with your schedule. Please indicate your preference and my staff will make any arrangements or regrets.

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George V. Lauder

Attachment: As stated

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Remarks Pls confirm/regret the DCI's attendance. Note: Form requested by 9 Jan 85.

Executive Secretary
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COUNCIL FOR NATIONAL POLICY

OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

January 2, 1985

CONFIDENTIAL

Honorable William J. Casey, Director Central Intelligence Agency Washington, D. C. 20505

Re: Invitation to Address Council for National Policy, Attend February 22-23, 1985, Meeting in California

Dear Mr. Casey:

It is a pleasure for me to extend to you an invitation to address the Board of Governors of the Council for National Policy at our next meeting, which will be held February 22-23, 1985 at Rancho Las Palmas in Rancho Mirage, California.

I very much hope you will accept this invitation. Our members would gain a great deal from the opportunity to meet you, hear your message, and spend time getting to know you. We hope you will bring your spouse, so that both of you can take part in this event. The Council for National Policy is a unique organization, and I believe you will find the meeting an interesting and fulfilling experience.

The meeting is set at Mariott's Rancho Las Palmas Resort, which is one of the most beautiful and complete meeting and convention centers in California. We have scheduled the meeting so that you can spend free time with our members and enjoy the many facilities available.

If you are able to speak to us, we will work with your staff on a mutually agreeable time, topic, and duration for your address. We would like to invite you and your spouse to be our guest for the entire meeting, which begins at 1:30 p.m. on Friday, February 22 and ends at 10 p.m. on Saturday, February 23. Naturally, we would provide your hotel accommodations and food at Rancho Las Palmas and transportation expenses.

PURPOSES OF THE COUNCIL. The Council for National Policy is a non-profit, tax-exempt, educational foundation organized in accordance with Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

The Council is composed of America's key national and regional leaders who share a belief in the free enterprise system, the need for a strong national defense, and the desire for a moral rebirth in America. It includes established leaders from all walks of life and all sections of the country, as well as young men and women who have the potential to accomplish great things in the future.

We do not support or oppose candidates, lobby for or against legislation, or make public statements on issues. Rather, our purpose is to make sure that these leaders have access to the best information available on national and world problems, know one another on a personal basis, and collaborate in achieving their shared goals.

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President Reagan said in a message to our last Annual Meeting:

"Few people have more power than the members of the Council for National Policy to influence the future course of our nation."

Indeed, that is our goal — to bring together the men and women who can influence the direction of our country and the course of history.

MEMBERS OF BOARD OF GOVERNORS. The Council for National Policy was formed in 1981 and now has 402 members. We are gradually increasing our numbers. Members include Bunker Hunt, chairman of Hunt Energy Corporation; Peter Grace, president of W. R. Grace Company; Joseph Coors, president of Adolph Coors Company; Rich DeVos, president of Amway Corporation and co-chairman of Mutual Broadcasting System; Jack Eckerd, founder of the Jack Eckerd Corporation; Frank Shakespeare, president of RKO General and chairman of Radio Free Europe and Radio Liberty; Dr. Pat Robertson, president of Christian Broadcasting Network; Ambassador Lewis Tambs, the current U. S. ambassador to Colombia; Russell Perry, chairman of Republic Financial Services, Inc.; Dr. James Dobson, president of Focus on the Family; Dr. Beurt SerVaas, publisher of the Saturday Evening Post; Texas businessman Jimmy Lyon, who served as President Reagan's national finance chairman; William Rusher, publisher of National Review; Lewis Lehrman, former chairman of the Rite-Aid Corporation, a chain of 1,500 drug stores, and recently the GOP nominee for governor of New York; Dr. Edwin J. Feulner, president of the Heritage Foundation; Dr. W. Cleon Skousen, president of the Freeman Institute; and Reed Larson, president of the 1.5 million-member National Right to Work Committee.

Also, Sam Moore, president of Thomas Nelson Publishers, one of the nation's largest book publishers; Dr. George C. Roche III, president of Hillsdale College; Professor Hans Sennholz, chairman of the board of the Foundation for Economic Education; Lt. General Daniel O. Graham, U. S. Army (Ret.), former director of the Defense Intelligence Agency and currently chairman of the High Frontier Project; Maj. General John Singlaub, U. S. Army (Ret.), former chief of staff of U. S. forces in Korea; Maj. General George S. Patton III, U. S. Army (Ret.), the son of the famous World War II hero; Governor John H. Sununu, Republican governor of New Hampshire; President Reagan's former National Security Advisor Richard V. Allen; Ambassador Faith Whittlesey, assistant to the President for Public Liaison; numerous members of the United States Senate and House of Representatives, including Senator William Armstrong of Colorado; Senator Jim McClure, chairman of the Senate Energy Committee and chairman of the Senate Republican Conference; Senator Jeremiah Denton of Alabama, who was a POW in North Vietnam for seven years; Congressman Jack Kemp of New York, chairman of the House Republican Conference; Congressman Charles Stenholm, chairman of the House Conservative Democratic Forum (the "boll weevils"), and many other key leaders.

MEETINGS. We meet three times a year, and each meeting features outstanding speakers on topics of great national concern.

Council meetings are closed to the media and to the general public. We do not announce to the media when or where we meet. Nor do we inform the media as to who takes part in our programs, either before or after a meeting. The remarks of speakers at Council meetings are "off the record" and not for repetition outside our

meetings, except with special permission. Similarly, our membership list is considered confidential and is not revealed to anyone outside the Council.

Participation in Council activities is very high. In fact, attendance averages from 50 to 80 per cent.

All room reservations should be made through this office. The Council for National Policy guarantees room reservations and the head count for all meal functions. So kindly fill out the enclosed registration form and return it to this office by January 9. This will help us predict the number of rooms and meals we will need to guarantee. In making reservations, please remember that only members of the Board of Governors and their spouses may attend Board meetings. Others may attend only with special permission of the Executive Committee.

This will be one of our best meetings, especially if you are able to attend and participate.

If I can provide any additional information about the Council or the upcoming meeting, please do not hesitate to call me at (504) 928-3146.

Hoping you can be with us at Rancho Las Palmas in February, I am

Sincerely,

Louis (Woody)/Jepkin Executive Director

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PLEASE RETURN BY WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9, 1985

Registration Form

COUNCIL FOR NATIONAL POLICY

Board of Governors Meeting

Council for National Policy 914 North Foster Drive Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70806

Gentl	emen:
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	() Thursday, February 21, 1985
	() Friday, February 22, 1985
	() Saturday, February 23, 1985
at	My staff contact for this engagement will be
at	telephone
	My spouse,, (will) (will not) attend the meeting.
	Looking forward to the meeting at Rancho Las Palmas, I am
	Sincerely,
Date	Honorable William J. Casey